



Winning weekend.

Bearcats, Spoofhounds remain undefeated after facing archrivals.
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Commissioners propose jail

by Jacob DiPietre

Special Assignments Reporter

The Nodaway County Commissioners are looking at building a new jail on the square in Maryville.

The proposed jail would be located at the corner of Market and Fourth streets, where Eagan's Home Furniture was previously located.

Lester Keith, presiding county commissioner, said no plans are finalized, but the county has looked into building a new, bigger county or regional jail.

The regional jail would be for Nodaway, Atchison and Gentry counties. However, Keith said the other counties involved backed out of the negotiations.

The current Nodaway County

jail, which can hold up to 28 prisoners, is full 85 percent of the time said Ben Espy, Nodaway County sheriff.

Espy said the current jail, which was built in 1986, is too small and believes there needs to be a change.

"This building was never designed right," Espy said. "There is no place for sergeant or lieutenant offices. The deputies are in with the secretary. It was just a bad design from the beginning. Something needs to be done."

Espy is not the only one who believes jail renovations are needed. CSG consultants, from Shawnee Mission, Kan., surveyed the current county jail to evaluate its status at the county commissioners' request. In their conclusion CSG said the

current facility is "inadequate for their current needs."

"To assure safety and security of both the inmates and staff, by meeting American Correction Association and Uniform Building Codes standards, extensive remodeling would be required," CSG's report said.

Keith said the county bought the property for \$115,000 and is looking at it in terms of planning for the future. He doesn't expect anything to happen for three to four years.

"We bought the property as an investment," Keith said. "Due to some things that may happen in the future."

The county commissioners are anticipating growth in the future. Keith said they tore down the old

building because of its condition in terms of heating and electrical wiring.

The county commissioners bid out the demolition of the building to Mudgett & Griffin of St. Joseph for around \$63,000.

However, there are others who feel the county did not spend the money wisely.

Dennis Pierson, Republican for Nodaway County presiding commissioner candidate, said the county would be better off if it had looked ahead.

"At that location they are always going to be short on space," Pierson said. "I think they would have been better off if they looked 20 years down the road and found some place they could expand on."

Quick reader.

A fast grasp on the situation.

What happened?

Nodaway County Commissioners proposed building a new regional or county jail that will be located on the square in Maryville.

Why?

The commissioners believe the current jail is too small to accommodate prisoners and offices.



Heather Epperly/Missourian Photographer

Charles and Jacki Hawkins, parents of Karen Hawkins, participate in the Speak Out for Stephanie Wall. In remembrance of their daughter, who was murdered April 21, 1995. The walk is designed to motivate students to speak up about the rights of victims of rape and criminal acts.

S.O.S. Walk focuses on memories, prevention

By Ted Place
Missourian Reporter

In an interview with the *Kansas City Star*, Stephanie Schmidt's mother said, "When it rains before or after we speak, I know Stephanie is looking down on us."

Wednesday, rain fell until early in the evening. Then it stopped, and the fourth annual Speak Out for Stephanie Silent Walk went on as planned.

With a crowd of over 1,000 students, faculty and community members present, the women of Sigma Sigma Sigma gave their annual tribute to Stephanie Schmidt and Karen Hawkins.

Schmidt, a member of the Pittsburg State Tri-Sigma chapter, was sexually assaulted and murdered July 1, 1993.

Hawkins, a member of the Northwest Tri-Sigma chapter, was the victim of a similar crime April 21, 1995.

The walk takes place to remind and educate people about the seriousness of such crimes and how to prevent them, as well as to remember those lost to such tragedies.

The ceremony began with speeches from walk coordinator Becky Mellon; Schmidt's parents, Gene and Peggy; and Miss Kansas Jennifer Vanatta.

Vanatta went to high school with Schmidt and covered the S.O.S. Walk at Northwest last year for KQ2 in St. Joseph as a reporter.

This year she returned with the Schmidts.

"I have so much admiration for this family," Vanatta said. "I am in awe over how they have turned their tragedy into this campaign to prevent this from happening to somebody else."

The Schmidts spoke about safety on campus, common sense rules and men's roles in preventing such crimes.

They were pleased with the attendance and particularly happy with the number of male students that attended the event. According to the Schmidts, when they speak at other colleges and universities they have one, two or only a handful of males in attendance.

They also urged all in attendance not to let the memories of Hawkins and Schmidt disappear.

"Stephanie no longer has a voice," Peggy said. "So, we must continue to speak out for both her and Karen."

Taking care of each other and keeping the Northwest tradition alive was also stressed by the Schmidts.

"Every time we leave Northwest we feel rejuvenated," Gene said. "The turnout is phenomenal, and it keeps getting better every year."

Mellon was happy with the participants' response.

"I think it brought a sense of realism to our new members," she said. "Tonight there were tears and emotions, and I think they truly understand what this event means to this campus and to the women of Tri-Sigma."

At one point in the evening, all members of Tri-Sigma joined hands in a "circle of sisters" to sing and reflect on the event as well as to give thanks to the Schmidts, the Hawkinses and Mellon.

Participants looked on in silence and respect as the Sigmas participated in the circle, which has been a tradition at the event since its inception.

"All year long, we get caught up in homework, Homecoming hours and our other activities," Tri-Sigma Melanie Coleman said. "Tonight was a chance for us to remember how special our sorority is to all of us and what makes us all so close."

Mellon spoke of passing the torch to the next generation of Tri-Sigmas and urged them all to help keep the event, as well as memories of Hawkins, alive.

As those in attendance filed slowly from the Conference Center to begin the silent walk across campus, the dark clouds that had covered the skies all day long parted, and the moon and stars lit the night sky as much of the Northwest community fell silent to remember lost sisters, friends and peers.

Teams continue perfect seasons

by Mark Hornickel

Sports Editor

Two Maryville teams were involved in significant football games over the weekend and both came away with wins.

On Friday night, the Maryville Spoofhounds traveled to Savannah for their first of three district games, while the Bearcats welcomed MIAA rival Pittsburg State to town Saturday.

The Bearcats kept their perfect record intact and came away with a 23-18 victory in front of 7,700 fans at Rickenbrode Stadium.

"It's a huge win for our program and our team," sophomore receiver Tony Miles said. "We beat them two years in a row and Pitt State's always been the team that everybody talks about. Hopefully people will start talking about our team."

The 'Cats battled with the Gorillas for much of the game. In the third quarter, just seconds after Pitt State running back Lateef Walker tied the score, 16-16, with a 2-yard run, 'Cats' receiver Charlie Pugh returned a kickoff 99 yards for what proved to be the winning touchdown.

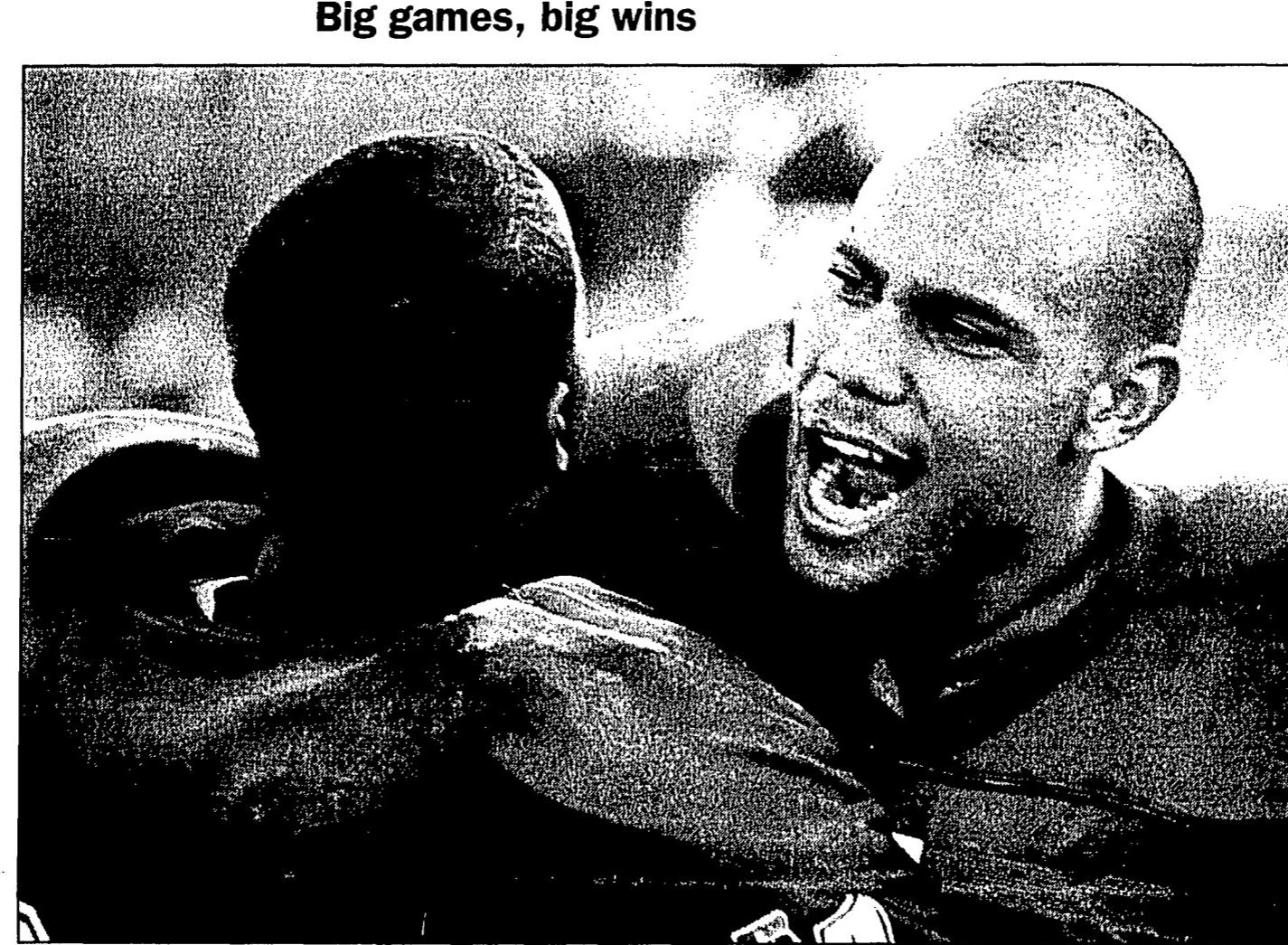
"It was a great game and an exciting game for the fans," said Mel Tjeerdsema, Northwest head coach. "But more than that, it's a great game for our players because this was a pressure game. Pitt State is still Pitt State. They've got a great tradition, but we had to get rid of that aura they bring in with them."

The victory marked the second year in a row in which the 'Cats defeated the Gorillas. Last year, Northwest defeated Pitt State 15-14 in Pittsburg.

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Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director

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Junior Charlie Pugh (above) and sophomore Clinton Hurd express their excitement after Saturday's huge win over Pitt State. Pugh's 99-yard touchdown put the Bearcats in the lead for good, sealing up their perfect record for yet another week.

Justin DeShon (left) and Zane Schulte begin the celebration Friday night at Savannah. As the clock ran out, the Maryville fans made their way toward the field to congratulate head coach Chuck Litteras and the team. The 'Hounds ended the first week of district play with a perfect record 7-0 record.

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Opinion & Editorials

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Our View

Turnout at polls needs to increase

As election day approaches, it is time again to evaluate the incumbents, look at the challengers and decide who will be the best leader to protect our interests.

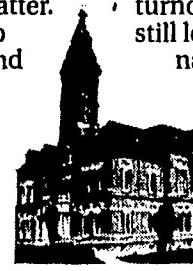
But all too often, we as citizens have the attitude that our vote doesn't matter. Or worse yet, we are too lazy to go to the polls and vote. Some say they are too busy, some just don't make the time. They believe all politicians are crooked and it doesn't matter who is voted in.

Those same people are more likely to be the ones that complain about government issues and the people in office. If you don't vote, then you don't have the right to criticize, that right is gained at the polls. Voicing our opinions and electing those candidates who best represent us is the only way our government will improve.

The older generation has the right mentality. They believe voting is a freedom we have, and it is a freedom that should be taken seriously. We need to remember it is a privilege to vote. We have become a society that takes these things for granted. There should be no excuse for low voter turnout.

Some companies will, if asked, allow their employees to be late to work on election day or take a longer lunch break in order to make time to vote.

However, most companies have shifts that allow employees to vote before or after work.



Both Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing Corp. and Eveready Battery Co. Inc. said they don't have a problem with workers leaving early or taking longer breaks.

Even though there is no excuse for not voting, voter turnout in Nodaway County is still low. Voter turnout across the nation is at a point where it is almost frightening. County Clerk John Zimmerman said the number of citizens registered to vote in the county has hovered around 12,000 to 13,000 since 1994. The number of eligible voters is around 16,000.

The recent August primaries brought the lowest voter turnout in Nodaway County ever, according to Zimmerman, with approximately 9 percent voting.

During the 1996 presidential election, voter turnout in Nodaway County was 8,544. This turnout was lower than the 1994 election, which had a turnout of 8,926.

Many times college students find voting a hassle because it is difficult to determine where to register to vote away from home and how to fill out absentee ballot forms.

But, if our generation continues to have this complacent attitude, our voices will be unheard. It is our generation that will lead the country in the next millennium.

We need to take our roles as citizens more seriously, so get informed and make it to the polls Tuesday.

My Turn

Student voices concerns, questions professor's action



As an active student at Northwest I have a great deal of pride for the University and the people that represent it.

I am proud not only of the stamp of approval that was bestowed upon us when

we received the Missouri Quality Award, but also for the influential professors we look to for advice and guidance.

However, I was ashamed and disappointed by the actions of Professor Richard Fulton at Hazel O'Leary's distinguished lecture.

It was five minutes after 8 p.m. Students and administrators were still filing in the doors to be seated for the lecture. O'Leary was standing next to the stage engaged in conversation with the introducer, student activities director Brian Vanosdale and myself.

Three minutes later O'Leary was still talking to us, waiting for everyone to get settled, when she was rudely interrupted by Fulton standing up out of his chair and pointing out that it was eight minutes after the hour and the lecture was supposed to begin at 8 p.m.

We all stood awkwardly next to her, not knowing how to explain the rude behavior displayed by one of our own professors.

Heather Butler is the features editor of *The Northwest Missourian*.

Noticing our embarrassment, she made a quick comment that she has dealt with a lot worse in Washington and replied with a smile to Fulton that she was ready to begin.

Witnessing Fulton's behavior made me think of a viewpoint written Sept. 21 by Steven Brown titled, "Students' lack of respect unnecessary in stadium."

If you didn't catch the article, it was basically about how students' offensive language and actions at football games reflect badly on the University.

How can we as students be criticized for offensive language at a football game when one of our mentors conducts himself in such a manner that he disrespects one of our distinguished speakers at a lecture and embarrasses the students who witnessed it?

I recognize there are considerable differences in the comparison of the two situations. What ties them together is the concern for the reputation of our University.

Professor Fulton, and others with his disregard of civility should take into consideration, the next time he chooses to yell at one of the most powerful women in America, that she has earned the right to wait eight minutes for more students to come in.

O'Leary was doing Northwest a favor by coming to the University and letting us hear her wisdom. Professor Fulton made me hang my head in disgrace.

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Viewpoint

'Shop Maryville' promotes community prosperity



Kathy Rice

Money spent in local businesses helps overall welfare of citizens

"Shop Maryville" and "Think Nodaway First." We've seen these campaigns for years, but do we actually think about their implications for Maryville and our way of life?

Several businesses have closed in the past few weeks and at least one more is in the process of closing. In light of these events, I thought a discussion of Maryville economics might be in order.

Money spent in Maryville is what the local economy thrives on. Sales taxes are collected. That money goes to our streets, our Public Safety, our Mozingo, our country roads and bridges. People buy or rent homes, buy cars, etc., which means personal and real property taxes are collected, which go to our schools, our ambulance district, our library, our swimming pool, our Sheltered Workshop, our fire department, our city and county governments, etc.

Money spent in Maryville provides increased goods and services. Businesses grow in thriving economic environments. New businesses are attracted. Jobs are created, leading to increased demand for those goods and services. Yes, "Shop Maryville" and "Think Nodaway First" are worthwhile slogans in keeping prosperity and the good life we treasure here in Maryville.

Maryville is entering the busy Christmas shopping season. The Maryville Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Holiday Open House on Saturday, Nov. 21, "Shop Maryville." Take this opportunity to look over the many goods and

services that are available in Maryville. "Think Nodaway First" when you need a gift for friends and family, large purchases or small, or yourself. Money spent in Maryville helps our economy, our friends, our neighbors, our relatives, our town and country.

I've been involved with the downtown Heart of the City group for the past four years. I'm currently its chairwoman. As a group, we have widely differing products and services, but we have a lot of things in common.

Small businesses, locally owned sole-proprietorships, partnerships or small corporations, with the owner taking an active part in the day-to-day operations of the business. One of the constant challenges we have faced as individual businesses is how to let consumers know about the products and services that are available.

Maryville has so many positive aspects. Lovely parks, safe streets, friendly people, excellent schools, the cultural diversity of the University and a multitude of goods and services are available to the people who live here and visit. This is how Maryville and the other communities of Nodaway County support their citizens.

"Shop Maryville" and "Think Nodaway First" are not only slogans, but how we support these positive aspects of our lives.

Kathy Rice is the owner of Movie Magic

Letters to the Editor

Independents active Concerns voiced

Dear Editor,

I am writing in regards to the Oct. 15 Stroller article. "Our Man" wrote about and sang the praises of the Greek organizations on campus and what a great job they did during Homecoming, and he had it right, they did do a great job.

But I would like to let "Our Man" know, and maybe perhaps clarify for him, that there were more participants than what he wrote about.

There were many independent organizations and individuals that made Homecoming a success. For example, all of the residence halls completed house decorations, so did International Student Organization, which came in first.

There were also many organizations that competed in the parade and made a great showing for themselves: Sigma Society, ISO, Horace Mann, Residence Hall Association, American Association of Consumer Sciences, Bearcat Sweethearts, Sigma Alpha, Tau Phi Upsilon, Country Faith and Alliance of Black Collegians.

There were also many independents that helped the Homecoming committee in many different aspects, whether that be backstage at the Variety Show, hosting the Variety Show, being on the committee itself or just being one of those folks that worked endlessly without endless thanks.

Don't get me wrong, I love The Stroller and I think he is probably a great guy, but I just thought I would inform "Our Man" of the other folks on this campus that also put in a lot of hard work. Speaking as an independent, we may not have as much money as Greek organizations do, but our pride, effort and Bearcat spirit run just as deep. I would like to say, however, congratulations and a great job to all of those that made Homecoming a great success, including independents.

Dear Editor,

By now most of you know of Matthew Shepherd, the boy who was assaulted and killed by two Wyoming homophobes.

Although Shepherd's death was shocking in its brutality, this crime came as no great surprise to gays. The only surprise was that finally a story concerning anti-gay violence made national news.

Last Thursday's vigil, honoring Shepherd alongside all victims of violence, was a quiet, solemn success, as was Friday's conversation between members of GALTAN (Northwest's Gay-Straight alliance) and officials from Campus Safety and Maryville Public Safety despite the low turnout. Throughout these recent events, several points have been made which bear repetition.

Matthew Shepherd was not killed because he was gay, but this is not to support the argument that Shepherd's death was merely the result of a "robbery gone wrong," as some have said. The terrible brutality of Shepherd's death was the outcome of the assailants' homophobia. As when blacks are lynched or women raped, it is not the victim's identity that creates the crime, but the inability of the criminals to recognize their victims as humans equal to themselves. Shepherd was killed because his killers were bigots.

Regardless of one's attitude toward homosexuality, one had best remember that, even if Missouri's hate crimes law doesn't cover sexual orientation, everyone is equal under the law. Campus Safety and Maryville Public Safety officers have made it clear that they will seek to prosecute anyone who commits a violent crime against anyone else. This does not mean only physical violence: under law, free speech does not grant one the right to threaten or heap verbal abuse upon anyone else. Maryville police will take reports on any homophobic

behavior, and will keep records of such incidents, which can be used as evidence if the perpetrator either commits a graver act or simply repeats the same one. Likewise, we all have the duty to report such incidents should they occur.

Unless one's actions bring harm, all citizens, including gays, have certain inalienable rights, as granted by Missouri's Constitution, the Constitution of the United States and the three United Nations Declarations of the Rights of Citizens, of Women and of Children.

Maryville's homophobes repeatedly win. Many good, talented, industrious people come to Maryville yearly but leave again to find more welcome homes. This is Maryville's loss, and it is especially the University's.

On Nov. 30, a large committee is meeting to determine how to bring to Northwest a greater variety of students and faculty, with the tacit understanding that the greater the plurality of voices, the better the education of every student. Either then or sometime shortly before, GALTAN will be meeting again with local officers and with the members of any other organization that wishes to help bring about this goal. We will discuss ways in which we can get to better know and understand one another. GALTAN will also be launching a campaign to offer people on campus and off stickers they can put on their doors.

These stickers will read something to the effect of, "Zero Tolerance for Intolerance, Zero Tolerance for Violence." People can put them on the doors of their homes, residence hall rooms, offices, stores, etc. Doing so, they will say, "here is a friend."

GALTAN meets at 4 p.m. on Thursdays in 3250 Golden Hall. These meetings are open to everyone, regardless of sexual orientation.

Kenton Wilcox
GALTAN member and co-coordinator of events and discussions



"I think it is pretty safe already but it might need more lights around the sidewalks. Maybe if Campus Safety could walk around at night, too, to make sure people walking were safer."

Dawn Jensen, psychology/sociology major



"I think it's safe already. I feel comfortable here."

Jason McCale, business management major



"I am not here much because I live off campus. It seems pretty safe. They could use more lighting on the sidewalks at the library."

Mike Morley, corporate recreation major



"There needs to be more lighting around the bookstore by North Complex."

Kara Rollins, elementary education major

Jealaine Vaccaro
english major

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Election '98: Where they stand

State Senate District 12 candidates

**Residence:** Tarkio**Education:** Bachelor's degree in agriculture, University of Missouri-Columbia**Experience, qualifications:** Two years in the House of Representatives; four years in the Senate; farmer; father; small business owner**On running:** To continue the fight for equity in education funding, lower taxes, less government and better roads and bridges. To represent working families, education, small businesses and agriculture in the Missouri Senate.**Residence:** Maryville**Education:** Bachelor's degree from Missouri Western, master's degree from Central Missouri State**Experience, qualifications:** State representative, 1986-92; director of legislative affairs for Missouri Gov. Mel Carnahan, 1993-95; vice president for community relations at Northwest, 1995-98**On running:** We deserve and need a voice that will be heard in state government. I believe north Missouri has been poorly represented in the Missouri Senate.

State Representative District 4 candidates

**Residence:** Maryville**Education:** Trenton Junior College; Draughn Business College and traffic training course at Central Missouri State**Experience, qualifications:** State representative elected in 1994 and 1996; Missouri State Highway Patrol officer for 32 years in northwest Missouri**On running:** I've spent most of my adult life enforcing laws. I have enjoyed participating in the process of making laws the last four years. I've been active in some of our most important legislation this session. I hope to continue that.**Residence:** Maryville**Education:** Bachelor's degree in English from Sam Houston State; master's degree from Northwest**Experience, qualifications:** Sixth year on the Maryville City Council; second year as Maryville mayor; Missouri Municipal League board of directors, northwest region past president**On running:** We need a stronger voice and greater vision in Jefferson City entering the 21st century. My background and conviction that we need a regional approach to future solutions qualify me to serve the people of this district.

Nodaway County presiding commissioner candidates

**Residence:** Maryville**Education:** Maryville High School**Experience, qualifications:** Presiding commissioner for 12 years; former Maryville mayor; City Council member for six years; former Maryville Public Safety director; worked at Kansas City Federal Reserve Bank; Farmer's Insurance agent**On running:** I would like to continue the economic development of Nodaway County. To continue the growth and the same track of road that we're going now but keeping up with the times and the changes that need to be done.**Residence:** Maryville**Education:** Attended Northwest**Experience, qualifications:** First attempt to join political field; Show Me Inn, Noble's Car Wash and T & T Car Wash owner**On running:** I would like to see the roads on the outlying part of Maryville improved. The way it is now, half those roads belong to the city, half belong to the township, and that's the reason they aren't maintained very well. It doesn't seem like we have enough cooperation between the county officials and the city and township.

Nodaway County recorder of deeds candidates

**Residence:** Maryville**Education:** Attended Northwest**Experience, qualifications:** Recorder of deeds for 12 years; deputy recorder of deeds for 14 years; Sears, Roebuck and Company for 10 years in the credit department and also as catalog order manager**On running:** It has been an honor and a pleasure keeping your vital records for you. With your trust and confidence, I look forward to continuing to serve with the quality service people have received in the past and deserve in the future.**Residence:** Maryville**Education:** Attended Northwest**Experience, qualifications:** 15 years in St. Gregory Catholic School, worked for the Nodaway Valley Bank and Citizens State Bank as a bookkeeper and teller**On running:** I would like this opportunity to bring new energy, new enthusiasm to the recorder of deeds office. I plan, over the next four years, to serve you by accurately and efficiently continuing the recording and preserving Nodaway County's history.

Brekke joins City Council; club house bids rejected

by Toru Yamauchi*Senior Reporter*

A new councilman was sworn in to Maryville City Council Monday to finish the term.

Jerry Brekke was appointed by Maryville Mayor Bridget Brown to fill the seat left vacant by former councilman Jerry Riggs. Riggs resigned when he moved out of the city limits.

Brekke said he was appointed because he has experience as a councilman and will not seek re-election when his term expires in April.

He told Brown he would serve, although he did not approach her about the vacancy.

"I certainly did not request it," Brekke said. "But since they asked me, I guess it's kind of a compliment to be asked. I certainly think it's an important job, so I'm willing to help out."

Brown's term as councilwoman will expire



Voters to determine fate of Amendment 9

by Toru Yamauchi*Senior Reporter*

Missouri voters will decide whether casinos can continue operating gambling facilities on artificial water Tuesday.

Amendment 9 to the Missouri Constitution, if passed, would approve licenses to operate gambling in spaces containing water within 1,000 feet of either the Missouri or Mississippi rivers.

The issue was raised when the Missouri Supreme Court ruled a gambling boat on a moat was violating the constitution earlier this year.

If the amendment does not pass, 10 gambling facilities in the state could be forced to shut down.

Stan Hall, St. Joseph Frontier Casino campaign coordinator for northwest Missouri for Fairness and Jobs, said the amendment should pass because gambling revenues are an important part of the state economy.

"It actually will keep other taxes down because if you don't get those taxes, you have to get the money from somewhere else," Hall said.

Anti-gambling groups disagree with Hall.

Mark Albee, Maryville First Baptist Church pastor, said most studies show gambling does not lead to a better

economy.

"Closing some of the casinos will not negatively affect the (economy)," Albee said. "We will have a positive effect on the economy, overall."

Sam Graves, Republican state senator, said relying on gambling revenues is dangerous to the state.

"I think the state has become far too dependent on gambling for revenues," Graves said. "I think it created a lot of problems. We should not be depending on gambling revenue to float the state."

Another issue is the loss of jobs. Four-hundred employees at Frontier Casino will be unemployed if the amendment does not pass, Hall said.

He said if the amendment is

not approved, Frontier Casino may consider reopening the old boat near downtown St. Joseph, which was operated on the river.

However, the employment issue is not solved.

"We do have an old boat, but it's much smaller and still costs us a lot of jobs," Hall said. "We will lose all the food services, all the social places, meeting rooms and everything plus many, many employees that were needed for the new one."

Albee said although casinos have employed many people, "the loss of jobs doesn't justify the gambling issue."

"Just like any business that closes, the market will pick up somewhere else to allow those people to find jobs," Albee said.

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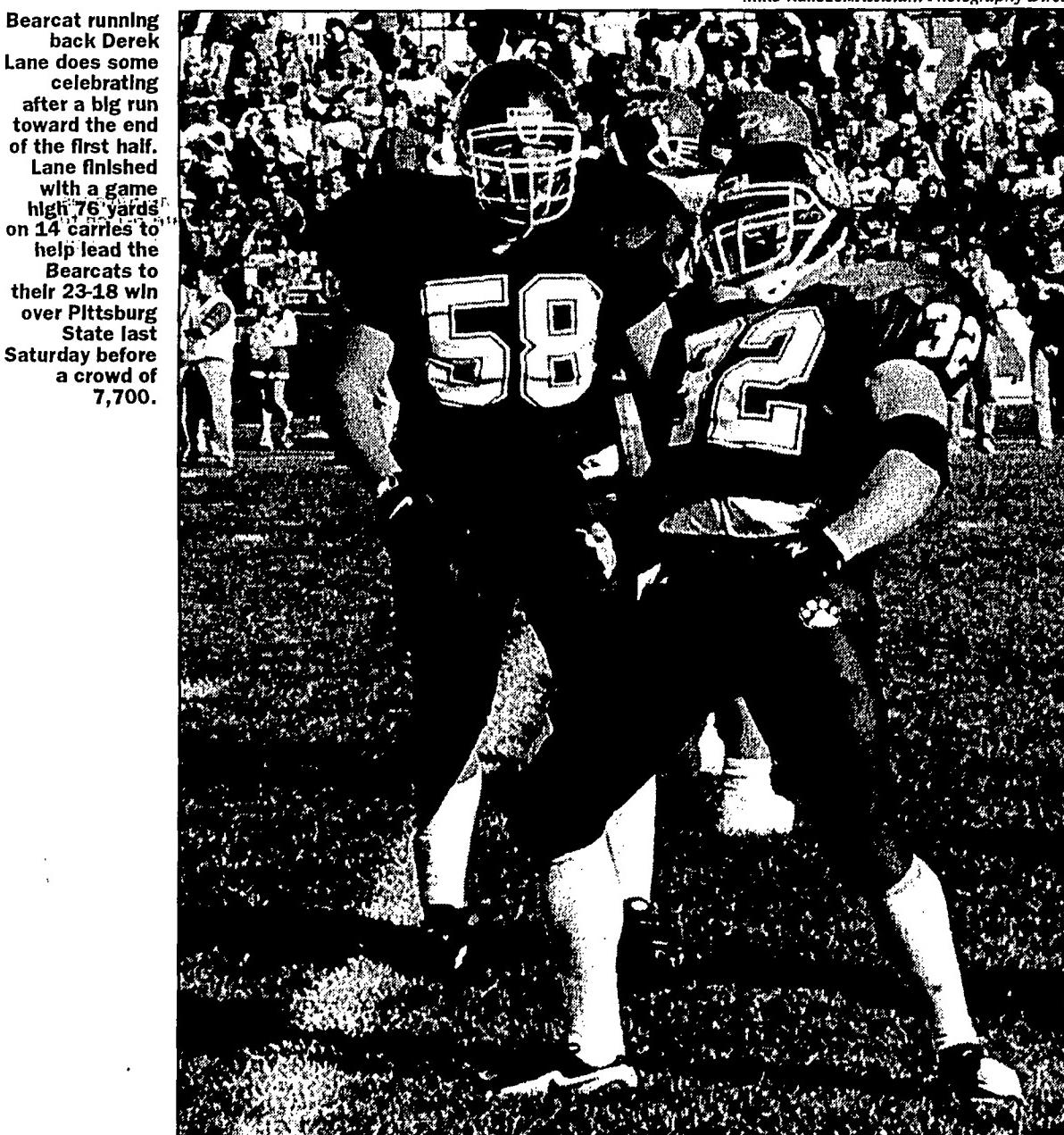


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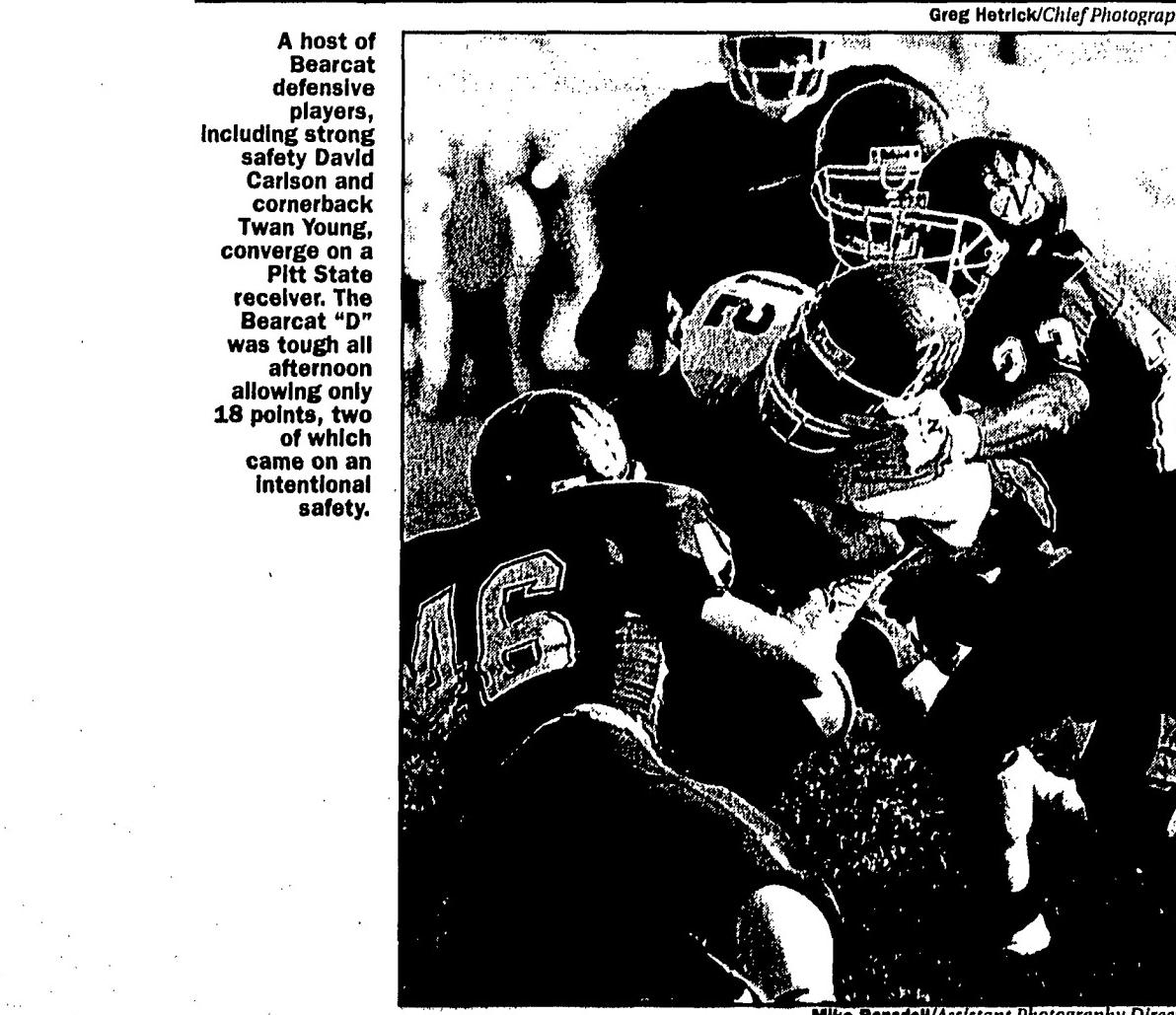
Late in the fourth quarter with the game on the line, Bearcat head coach Mel Tjerdama (below) leans over to gather his thoughts. Tjerdama's play-to-win attitude in the waning seconds proved to be a deciding factor. Although Pitt State's Derek Lane (No. 32) got Lane out of the end zone, he still led the Bearcats in rushing with 76 yards from the line of scrimmage.



Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director



Bearcat running back Derek Lane does some celebrating after a big run toward the end of the first half. Lane finished with a game high 76 yards on 14 carries to help lead the Bearcats to their 23-18 victory over Pittsburg State last Saturday before a crowd of 7,700.



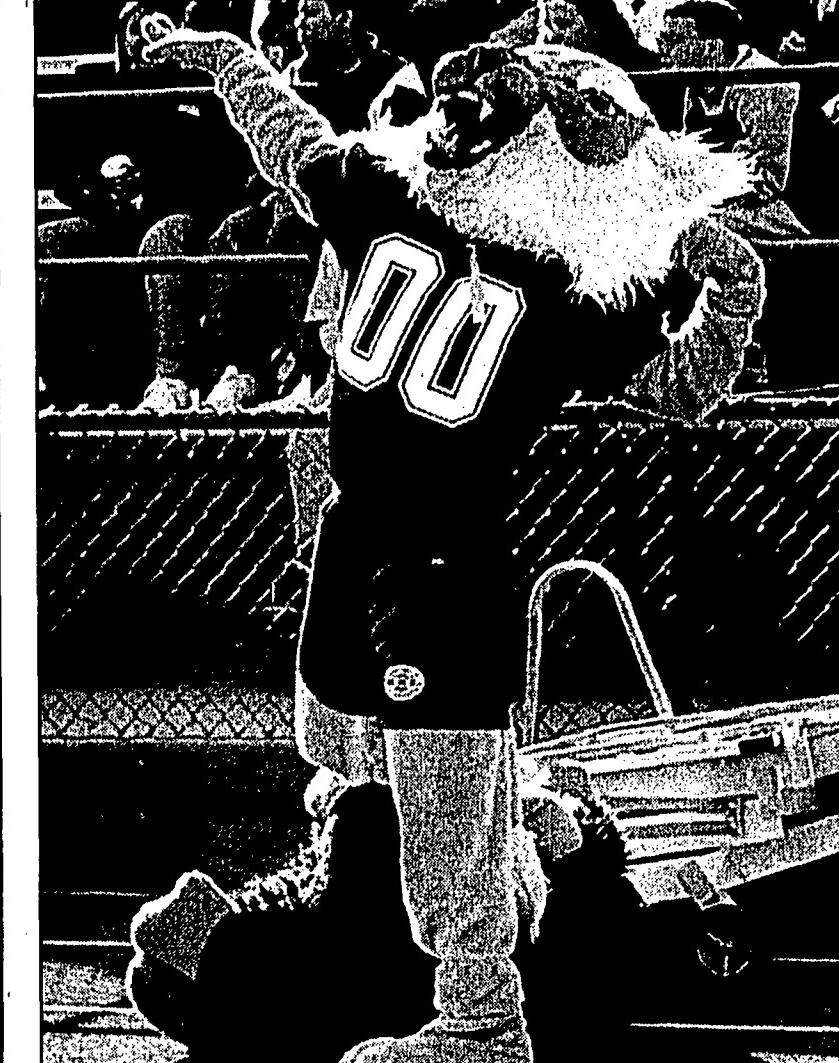
A host of Bearcat defensive players, including safety David Carlson and cornerback Twan Young, converge on a Pitt State receiver. The Bearcats' defense was tough all afternoon, allowing only 18 points, two of which came on an intentional safety.

Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director



Offensive right tackle Jay Ehlers (right), No. 68, watches as defenders fall around senior running back Derek Lane, No. 32. In Saturday's game, although the Pitt State's Derek Lane got Lane out of the end zone, he still led the Bearcats in rushing with 76 yards from the line of scrimmage.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director



Bobby the Bearcat (left) shows his own victory over the Pitt State Gorillas with a little celebration after practicing a few wrestling moves on a stuffed gorilla at fans' request. Meanwhile, the Bearcat football team was taking care of the game and finishing off the Gorillas, 23-18.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director



The Maryville Spooftounds celebrate a win over the Savannah Savages Friday night at Savannah. The 'Hounds remain atop the high school 3A polls after they ravaged the Savages 48-20. The Savages are 5-3 on the season, while the 'Hounds entered the game with a perfect 6-0 record. Maryville is on the road again this Friday against Tarkio.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

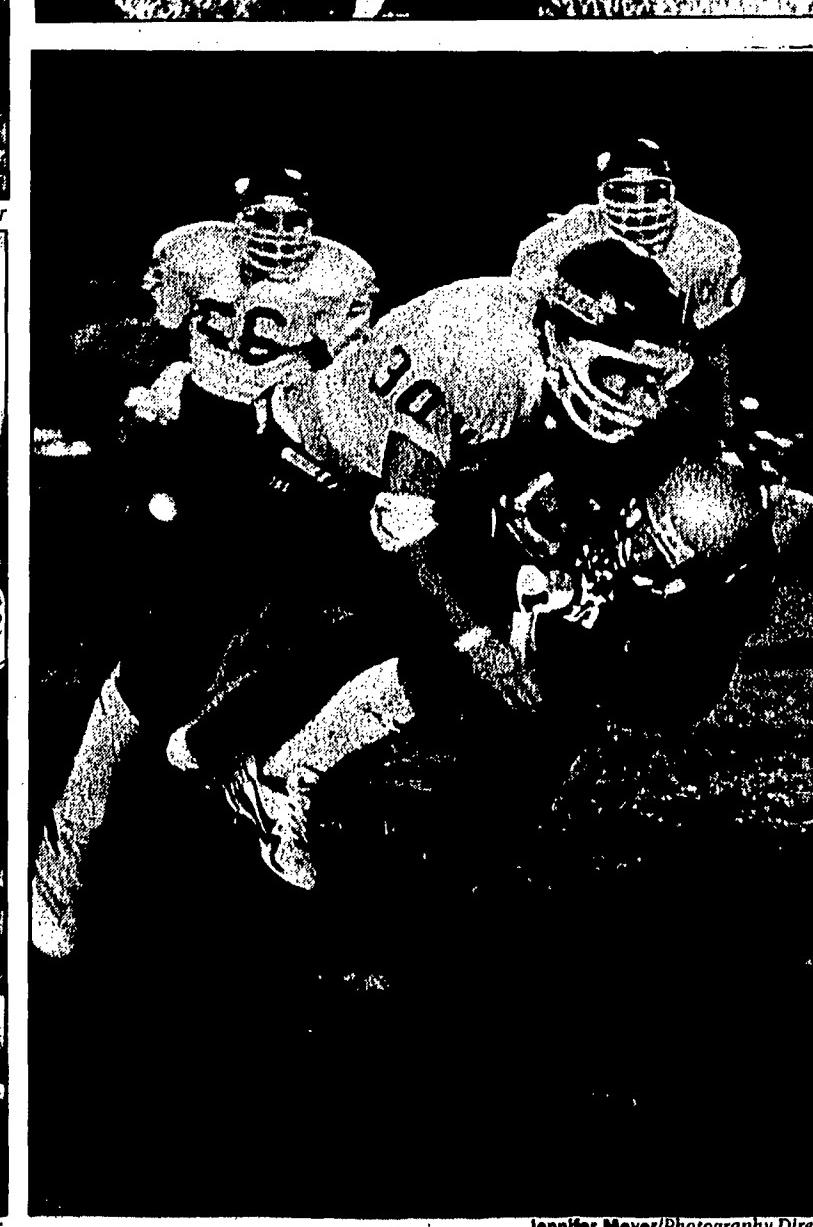


Greg Hetrick/Chief Photographer

Northwest football fans (above) had plenty to cheer for Saturday when the 'Cats defeated the Pitt State Gorillas for the second consecutive year. The 'Cats beat PSU at Pittsburg last season, 16-14, during their Homecoming.

Senior quarterback Chris Griesen ducks behind Bearcat blockers early in the contest against Pitt State. Griesen finished 42-25 with one interception and 278 yards passing. Pitt State quarterback Zack Siegrist kept the game alive with 207 yards and one touchdown. The Bearcats will now prepare for a matchup against Central Missouri State in Warrensburg on Halloween.

Greg Hetrick/Chief Photographer



Maryville Spooftound Adam Otto (left) is brought down by a Savannah defender after taking the ball on a hand-off from quarterback Nick Glassapp. Otto ran for a 71-yard touchdown in the first quarter. The 'Hounds clinched the MEC championship for a second consecutive year.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

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Announcements

Public Safety

Friday, Oct. 16

■ An officer took a report of a vehicle failing to stop for a school bus stop sign while in the 800 block of South Dunn Street.

Sunday, Oct. 18

■ An officer was in the 300 block of South Main Street when he heard tires spinning and the scraping of a car's frame hitting the ground. When he looked in the direction of the noise, he observed the vehicle pull into an alley. As he pulled by the vehicle, the occupants exited it. When he approached them, one male subject took off running and failed to stop after being advised to stop. Following an investigation and talking to the other subjects, contact was made with Daniel A. Wiemer, 19, Maryville. He was arrested on charges of resisting arrest by flight and released after posting bond.

Tuesday, Oct. 20

■ While on patrol in the 400 block of South Main Street, an officer observed a vehicle cross the centerline. The vehicle was stopped, and while talking with the driver, Janet M. Tierney, 21, Maryville, an odor of intoxicants was detected. She was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after she could not successfully complete field sobriety tests, and her blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. She was also issued a citation for failure to drive on the right side of the roadway.

■ After receiving complaints of a vehicle failing to stop for a school bus stop sign, a summons was issued to William R. Geagley, 39, Maryville, for failure to stop at a posted stop sign. The bus was loading children in the 300 block of South Davis Street.

■ Lisa J. Phillips, Maryville, was parked approximately five feet out of her space in the 200 block of North Main Street. Scott M. Cowden, Maryville, was southbound on North

Main Street and attempted to turn onto Second Street, striking Phillips. No citations were issued.

■ An officer observed a vehicle stop at a flashing yellow light and remain there for several minutes at the intersection of South Avenue and South Main street. Contact was made with the driver, Robert L. Fisher, 72, Maryville, and an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was arrested on charges of driving under the influence after he could not successfully complete field sobriety tests, and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit.

Wednesday, Oct. 21

■ An officer served a warrant from Andrew County for a seat belt violation on Johnny B. McFarland, 28, Maryville. He was released after posting bond.

■ Fire units responded to the 500 block of East First Street on an apartment fire. Upon arrival, the fire had been extinguished, but the apartment was full of smoke. It is believed the fire started from an electrical short in an aquarium, and the water from the aquarium put the fire out.

■ An officer served two warrants on David J. Bond, 27, Raventwood. The warrants were for failure to appear from Jackson and Henry counties. He was released after posting bond.

■ An officer arrested Brian P. Restivo, 20, Maryville, on charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia following an incident in the 100 block of West Second Street. He was released after posting bond.

Thursday, Oct. 22

■ Officers responded to the 200 block of Park Avenue on a complaint of a loud disturbance. Upon arrival, contact was made with the occupants, and the officers detected an odor of marijuana. After they received permission to search the residence, drug paraphernalia and a green leafy substance were found.

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Eryn E. Loucks, 20, was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia, and Halley D. Evans-Robinson, 21, was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. It was discovered that there were two active warrants from Johnson County for failure to appear on Evans-Robinson. Both subjects were released after posting bond.

Friday, Oct. 23

■ Edward D. Warner, Maryville, and Gina M. Alexander, Faukett, were northbound on North Main Street. They were both stopped in traffic when Michael L. Lemon, Skidmore, struck Warner from behind, causing him to strike Alexander from behind. A citation was issued to Lemon for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Dana L. Brown, Maryville, was stopped at a posted stop sign, then proceeded into the intersection of First and Munn streets. Brown pulled into the path of Gerald D. Dorrel, Maryville, who was westbound on First Street. A citation was issued to Brown for failure to yield.

■ Kelly L. Archer, Maryville, was eastbound on Fourth Street when Akiko Hirano, Smithville, pulled from a posted stop sign at Fourth and Walnut streets. Archer tried to avoid striking Hirano by swerving to the south, but Hirano struck Archer. The force of the impact caused Archer to strike Kristy K. Sievers, Ames, Iowa, who was stopped at a posted stop sign on the south side of the Walnut intersection. A citation was issued to Hirano for failure to yield.

Saturday, Oct. 24

■ An officer issued a citation to Brenda L. Schafer, 34, Skidmore, after receiving complaints of a vehicle not stopping for a school bus while it was loading in the 300 block of South Davis Street.

■ Officers responded to the 300 block of North Market Street on a report of a fight. Upon arrival, and after talking with the subjects, summonses for assault were issued to Tisha A. Halterman, 24, Maryville,

and Toni M. Morton, 23, Burlington Junction.

■ An officer arrested Mathew D. Mason, 24, Maryville, on charges of failing to comply with an officer's orders following an incident in the 900 block of College Avenue. He was requested to leave the area, which he did, but later returned. He was released after posting bond.

■ Officers received a complaint that a vehicle driven by a male subject had been following another vehicle driven by a female subject. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Richard W. Allen, 35, Maryville. While talking with him, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He refused to give a sample for testing blood alcohol content and was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.

■ Michael J. Becker, Topeka, Kan., was northbound on South Main Street in the center turn lane, preparing to turn into a private drive. Darel D. Hawley, Barnard, exited a private drive and traveled west into the turn lane to make a left turn. Hawley failed to see Becker due to traffic. Hawley and Becker collided in the turn lane. A citation was issued to Hawley for failure to yield.

■ Diana L. Crawford, Maryville, was backing out of a drive on Victory Lane and struck a parked City of Maryville vehicle. No citations were issued.

Sunday, Oct. 25

■ Two Maryville juveniles, ages seven and 10, were referred to the juvenile officer following an incident in the 1000 block of North Main Street in which rocks were being thrown at parked vehicles. One vehicle had been struck, causing damage to the front windshield.

■ A Maryville female reported that her vehicle was damaged while it was parked at her residence.

Obituaries

Maxine Carmichael

Maxine R. Carmichael, 70, Columbia, Mo., died Oct. 21 at Columbia Regional Care Center in Columbia.

She was born April 22, 1928, to Galen and Iva Russell in Hopkins.

Survivors include one daughter, Michelle; one son, Russell; four sisters; and three brothers.

Services were Sunday at the Wray Memorial United Methodist Church in Hopkins.

Patricia Risser

Patricia Joan Risser, 53, Sheridan, died Oct. 20 at Heartland East Hospital in St. Joseph.

She was born May 2, 1945, to Fred and Helen Stephenson in Nodaway County.

Survivors include her husband, Elbert; four sons, Eric, Mark, Billy and Kerry; one daughter, Patricia Warner; one sister; two brothers; and six grandsons.

Services were Friday at the Assembly of God Church in Grant City.

Campus Safety

Monday, Oct. 19

■ Mickey Albertson reported she had recovered a pig in Roberta Hall. An investigation was initiated.

Tuesday, Oct. 20

■ Lisa Crater reported her office in Garrett-Strong was burglarized over the weekend. An investigation was initiated, and two suspects were apprehended. The case was forwarded to the vice president of Student Affairs for further evaluation.

Wednesday, Oct. 21

■ A student reported receiving harassing phone calls while in her room. The student was able to identify all parties responsible for the harassing phone calls. Those involved were contacted and the case was forwarded to the vice president of Student Affairs.

Thursday, Oct. 22

■ Officers recovered a rifle and ammunition from the parking lot adjacent to Phillips and Franken halls. Contact was made with the owner, and a summons was issued for violation of the weapons policy on campus.

Saturday, Oct. 24

■ While on patrol, an officer observed Molly Meierotto attempt to hide an alcoholic beverage. Contact was made with her, and after learning her age, she was arrested on charges of minor in possession of alcohol.

Sunday, Oct. 25

■ While on patrol, an officer stopped Jess Siegel for a traffic violation. An odor of intoxicants was detected. After Siegel could not successfully complete field sobriety tests, he was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.

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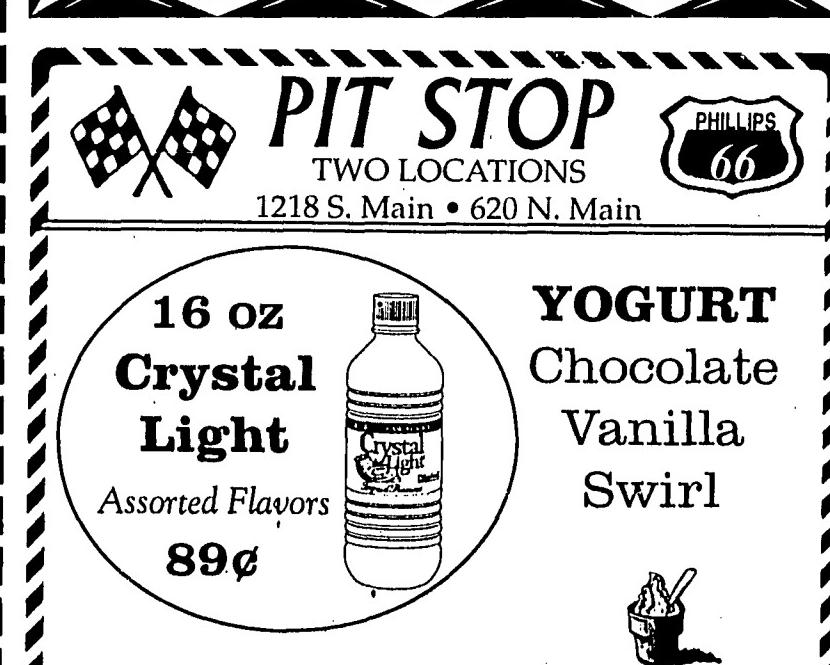
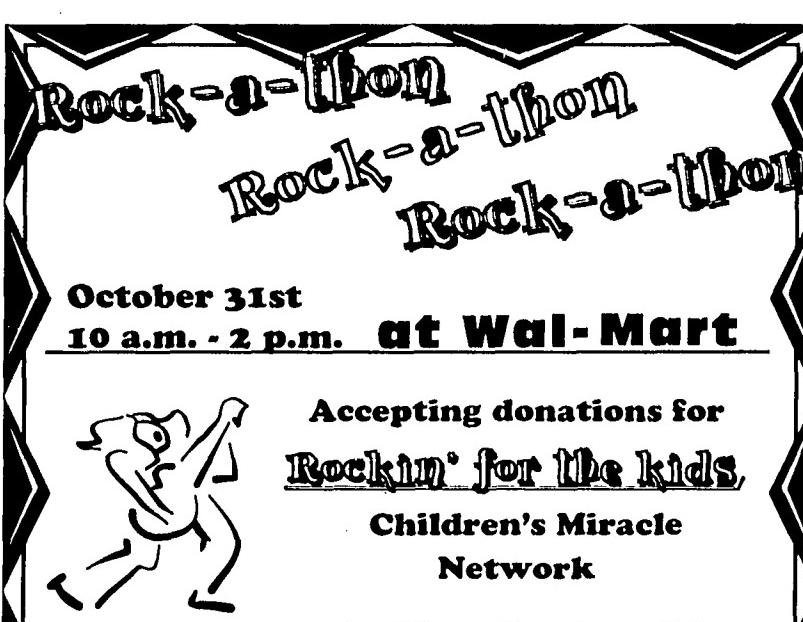
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'Cats prep for Mules

■ Northwest football
dumps Pittsburg State
moves up in rankings

by Colin McDonough
Contributing Reporter

The Bearcat football team has taken control of the MIAA race, but there are still obstacles to overcome.

The next major obstacle comes against the Central Missouri State Mules in Warrensburg Saturday.

Northwest will enter the game with a perfect 8-0 record and a No. 2 national ranking. The Mules bring in a mark of 6-2 and a No. 8 ranking in the Midwest Regional rankings.

Central has lost its last two games and will come into the game with a chance to still be a factor in the play-off race. The situation has head coach Mel Tjeerdsma not looking past the Mules.

"(Central) is in a position where if they win they've still got a good chance at the playoffs," Tjeerdsma said. "They beat Nebraska-Omaha earlier this season and they are the top team in the North Central Conference."

Sophomore B-back Tucker Woolsey said the Bearcats have been the target of every team this season and that will not change Saturday.

"I think everybody that comes up against Northwest is giving us their best shot because they want to pull the upset," Woolsey said. "We've had to deal with that all year and the coaches have told us we would have to deal with it. It's kind of like what

Pittsburg has always been going through and now we're going through it."

The Mules have been very similar to the Bearcats this season in relation to the injury bug. They have lost a couple players causing Central to struggle offensively, Tjeerdsma said.

"They are a little bit like us because they've lost two offensive linemen and that has really hurt them," Tjeerdsma said.

The Mules implemented an option offense last Saturday against Emporia State and came up on the short end of a 56-24 contest.

Aaron Becker, junior defensive tackle, said he hopes the Mules come out with the option attack because the Bearcats handled Pitt State's rushing game.

"If they come out with the option, we can play it like we did against the Gorillas," Becker said. "(Mules quarterback Kevin Nickerson) is a lot shifter than Pitt's quarterback. So we can't get complacent on defense."

While the offense struggles, the Mules defense may be their strongest attribute, Tjeerdsma said.

"From an athletic standpoint, they are the most athletic team in the conference," Tjeerdsma said.

"They've got great athletes and really skilled players."

Woolsey said some extra practice is needed to get ready for the Mules.

"They are strong, tough players that have played a lot of games through the years," Woolsey said. "With their defensive skills, it means we're just going to have to prepare and train that much better."

The Mules also bring in a strong place kicker, Shane Meyer. Tjeerdsma said he would rather talk up his own punter than discuss another team's strength.

"Meyer's a great kicker but there is a bunch of good kickers in this conference," Tjeerdsma said. "You even sometimes forget about Dave Purnell. With his numbers, he matches up pretty good."

Purnell has made nine of 11 field goal attempts this season. He has not missed an extra point on his own.

Tjeerdsma hopes to see Purnell on the field plenty Saturday because if that comes true the Bearcats will be winning the ballgame.

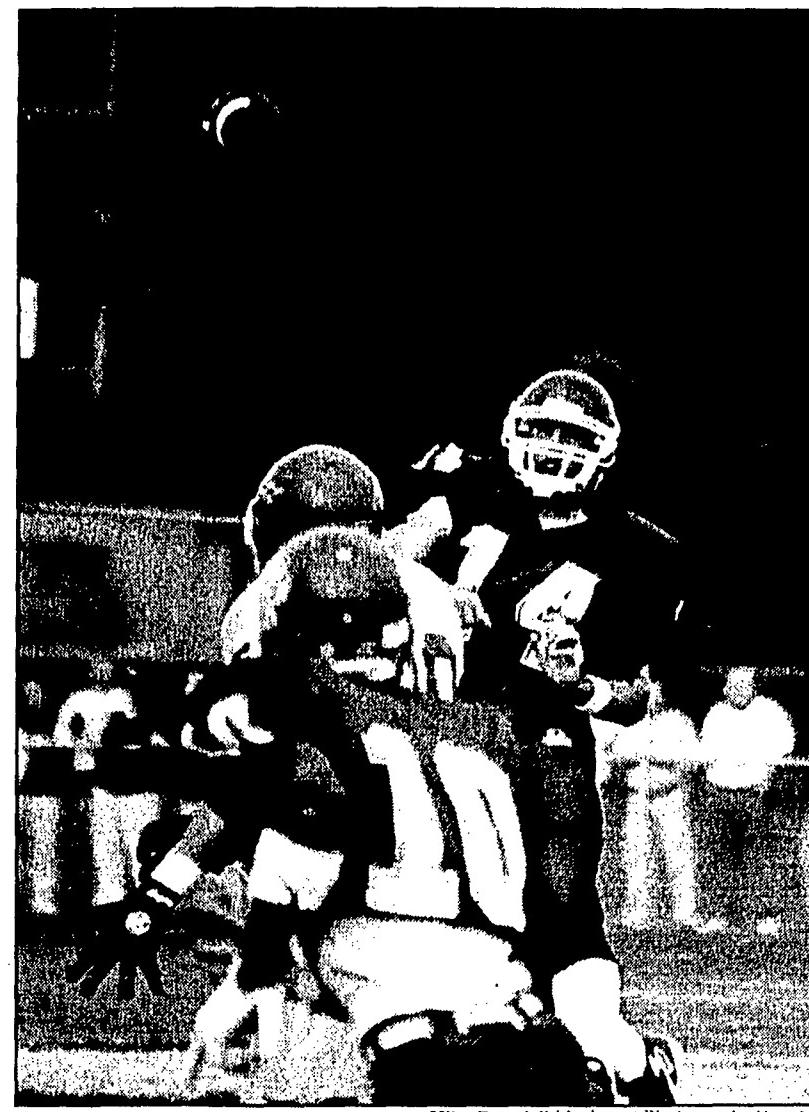
"It's important for us to generate some offense early," Tjeerdsma said. "I don't feel like they can score a lot of points. And if they do score they are really going to have to earn it. I look for us to come out extremely fired up and ready to play, because it's so important as to how we start out the game."

With the 'Cats' latest victory over Pitt State, Northwest jumped to No. 2 in the NCAA Division II national poll. But in Don Hansen's National College Football Weekly poll, the Bearcats reached No. 1 in the nation.

Becker seemed to agree with the Don Hansen poll.

"Right now, I think we're playing like the No. 1 team and we haven't even peaked yet defensively," he said. "But even if we're ranked 1,000th, I'd trade it for a national championship, and there's 100 other guys on the team that feel the same way."

Quarterback Chris Greisen throws over a Pittsburg State defender to receiver Tony Miles, No. 10, in Saturday's game. The two connected on several key plays, and the Bearcats defeated the Gorillas for the second straight year.



Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director

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Hornets sting volleyball team; Bearcats go 3-1 at Simpson

by Barry Platt
Missourian Reporter

The Bearcat volleyball squad traveled to Emporia, Kan., Wednesday night to take on the No. 2 ranked team in the conference — Emporia State. Northwest lost three games to the Hornets, 7-15, 8-15 and 8-15, falling to 16-9 on the season, and 5-7 in the MIAA.

Northwest was led by sophomores Jill Quast and Abby Sunderman, who tallied 10 kills each. Sunderman also contributed three blocks, including two solo blocks. Sophomore Abby Wills had 40 assists and 16 digs for Northwest, while sophomore Shannon Ross collected 17 digs.

Earlier in the week, Northwest finished second in the Simpson College Tournament, in Indianola, Iowa. The 'Cats finished 3-1 in the tournament, defeating St. Thomas

College in five games, Macalester College in five games and Cornell College in three games, before losing a 2-0 lead in the championship game to Simpson College, 3-2.

Head coach Sarah Pelster was pleased with the team's play in the tournament.

"I feel it was a good tournament for us," she said. "We were forced to make a lot of adjustments due to injuries we have had, and the team seemed to respond well to the changes. We played 10 games on Friday night, and then turned around and played eight more on Saturday, so that was a factor. Overall, we played very well."

Northwest played most of the tournament without starting outside hitters junior Lindsay Heck, and freshman Jennifer Monson, who both saw limited playing time due to injuries. Junior Sarah LaFiore also missed playing

time because she was injured. Pelster said those injuries were a factor in the team's performance. Northwest led 2-0 in three of the four matches they played in the Simpson College Tournament, yet won only two of them, with both of those coming in five games.

Pelster said the team is getting better at closing out matches, but its youth is the major reason for the difficulty of putting teams away.

"Having a young team like we do, that is going to happen," she said. "Plus, with all the injuries we had, it was hard to really get comfortable. We keep working on putting teams away though, and for the most part, I think we are getting better at it."

This weekend, Northwest will play in its final regular season tournament, traveling to Springfield for the Drury College Tournament. According to Pelster, the tourney should be great competition.

Soccer club concludes season, 6-2

by Matt Gorgen
Contributing Reporter

The Northwest women's soccer club ended its season on a good note, sweeping its final games.

Northwest improved to 6-2 by defeating Drake University by forfeit on Saturday followed by a win against the University of Nebraska-Lincoln 3-2 on Sunday.

Senior Katie Adams was pleased with the season and is looking forward to traveling with the team to national competition.

"I'm extremely happy on the great winning season and can't wait for nationals," Adams said. "I'm sure the winning ways will continue as a varsity sport next year."

The 'Cats beat Drake on forfeit when the team informed Northwest head coach Greg Roper the Drake team was breaking up because of an undisciplined and unorganized team.

"We were disappointed, of course," Roper said. "Drake has a student-run club, and often these types of clubs fall apart as the season progresses. But those things happen. We'll take the win and move on."

The 'Cats played host to the UNL club for its final game of the season.

The 'Cats led 3-0 at halftime, but the Husk-



Jason Myers/Contributing Photographer

Bearcat soccer player Kelly Coffey (left) takes the ball from University of Nebraska-Lincoln player Mariah Olson in Sunday's match at home. The game was a rescheduled match from earlier in the season. The 'Cats improved to 6-2 with a forfeit and a win.

ers scored two goals in the second half. However, the 'Cats hung on for the 3-2 victory.

Freshman Jennifer Krause said the starters did not play up to their potential and gave credit to the bench.

"Our team did not play well together at all, but our second teamers did an excellent job of bringing out our power and aggression in the game," Krause said.

the Stat sheet

NCAA Div. II Football Poll

1. Central Oklahoma (8-0)
2. Northwest (8-0)
3. Carson-Newman (Tenn.) (7-1)
4. Tie - UC-Davis (7-1)
- Slippery Rock (Pa.) (7-1)
6. Northern Colorado (6-1)
7. North Dakota (6-1)
8. Indiana (Pa.) (7-1)
9. Southern Arkansas (6-1)
10. Grand Valley State (Mich.) (7-1)
11. Emporia State (Kan.) (7-1)
12. Albany State (Ga.) (7-1)
13. Texas A&M-Kingsville (6-2)
14. Fort Valley State (Ga.) (7-1)
15. Nebraska-Omaha (6-2)
16. East New Mexico (7-1)
17. West Georgia (7-1)
18. Shepherd (W.Va.) (6-1)
19. Tie - Pittsburg State (Kan.) (5-2)
- West Texas A&M (6-2)

MIAA Football standings

	MIAA Overall	W	L	W	L
NWMSU	6	0	8	0	0
ESU	5	1	7	1	
TSU	5	1	5	3	
CMSU	4	2	6	2	
PSU	4	2	5	2	
WU	3	3	4	4	
MWSC	1	5	3	5	
SBU	1	5	2	6	
MSSC	1	5	1	6	
UMR	0	6	0	8	

Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette Division II poll

1. Northwest (8-0)
 2. Carson Newman (Tenn.) (7-1)
 3. Central Oklahoma (8-0)
 4. Slippery Rock (Pa.) (7-1)
 5. North Dakota (6-1)
 6. Southern Arkansas (6-1)
 7. UC Davis (7-1)
 8. Nebraska-Omaha (6-2)
 9. North Alabama (5-2)
 10. Texas A&M-Kingsville (6-2)
 11. Indiana (Pa.) (7-1)
 12. Albany State (Ga.) (7-1)
 13. Northern Colorado (7-1)
 14. Grand Valley (Mich.) (7-1)
 15. West Georgia (7-1)
 16. Emporia State (Kan.) (7-1)
 17. Winona State (7-0)
 18. Pittsburg State (Kan.) (5-2)
 19. Chadron State (Neb.) (6-2)
 20. Livingstone (N.C.) (6-1)
 21. Delta State (Miss.) (5-2)
 22. Millersville (Pa.) (5-2)
 23. Ashland (Ohio) (6-2)
 24. Northeastern State (Okla.)
 25. Shepherd (W.Va.) (6-1)
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MIAA team statistics

- Total offense yards per game
1. Emporia State, 499
- 2. Northwest, 477**
8. Central Missouri State, 254.8

- Rushing offense yards per game
1. Emporia State, 266.8
- 4. Northwest, 191.9**
8. Central Missouri State, 139.5

- Passing offense yards per game
1. Northwest, 285.1
7. Central Missouri State, 115.3

- Total defense yards per game
1. Central Missouri State, 270.5
- 4. Northwest, 309.3**

- Rushing defense yards per game
1. Pittsburg State, 122.9
- 2. Northwest, 125.3**
3. Central Missouri State, 139.4

- Passing defense yards per game
1. Emporia State, 121
- 2. Central Missouri State, 131.1**
8. Northwest, 184

MIAA Volleyball standings

	MIAA Overall	W	L	W	L
CMSU	11	0	22	4	0
ESU	9	2	24	5	
TSU	6	5	15	11	
MWSC	6	6	14	15	
NWMSU	5	6	16	8	0
WU	5	7	12	15	
SBU	4	8	14	15	
MSSC	4	8	5	17	
PSU	2	10	8	13	

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On the sidelines

Football alive, well in 'Ville



The World Series was a flop. Big deal. I've realized there are bigger and better things happening this fall in sports.

The excitement of another sport is gaining my interest — football. And one thing is for sure: in the 'Ville football is alive and well. Needless to say, I am loving every bit of it.

Football was never one of my favorite sports. I viewed football the same way a lot of people look at baseball — extremely boring. While I enjoyed the slow, relaxing pace of baseball, I didn't like the stop and start feeling of football.

I couldn't (in fact, I still can't) stand to see a running back take a handoff and run it into a pack of huge linemen for no gain. Wouldn't it be easier for the running back to cut back and completely fool the other team by running the ball around the pack of guys?

I enjoy watching the Packers and the Chiefs, but I'd rather spend my Monday nights listening to music or doing other things.

Growing up, football was just never my thing. Maybe it was because I was too small, or I wasn't accustomed to watching an exciting team.

Finally, this fall I have been blessed with the opportunity to watch two very good football teams — the Northwest Bearcats and the Maryville Spoofhounds.

Last weekend was a football lover's dream in Maryville.

On Friday night, the undefeated 'Hounds pounded Savannah in a huge district contest for each team.

I fell in love with watching the 'Hounds more and more every week. Whether it's watching Nick Glasnapp run the option with ease, Mike Nanninga pushing his way like a bull through linemen, Adam Otte catching a pass and accelerating into lightning speed or head coach Chuck Lliteras pacing up and down the sideline in his Vince Lombardi-like character.

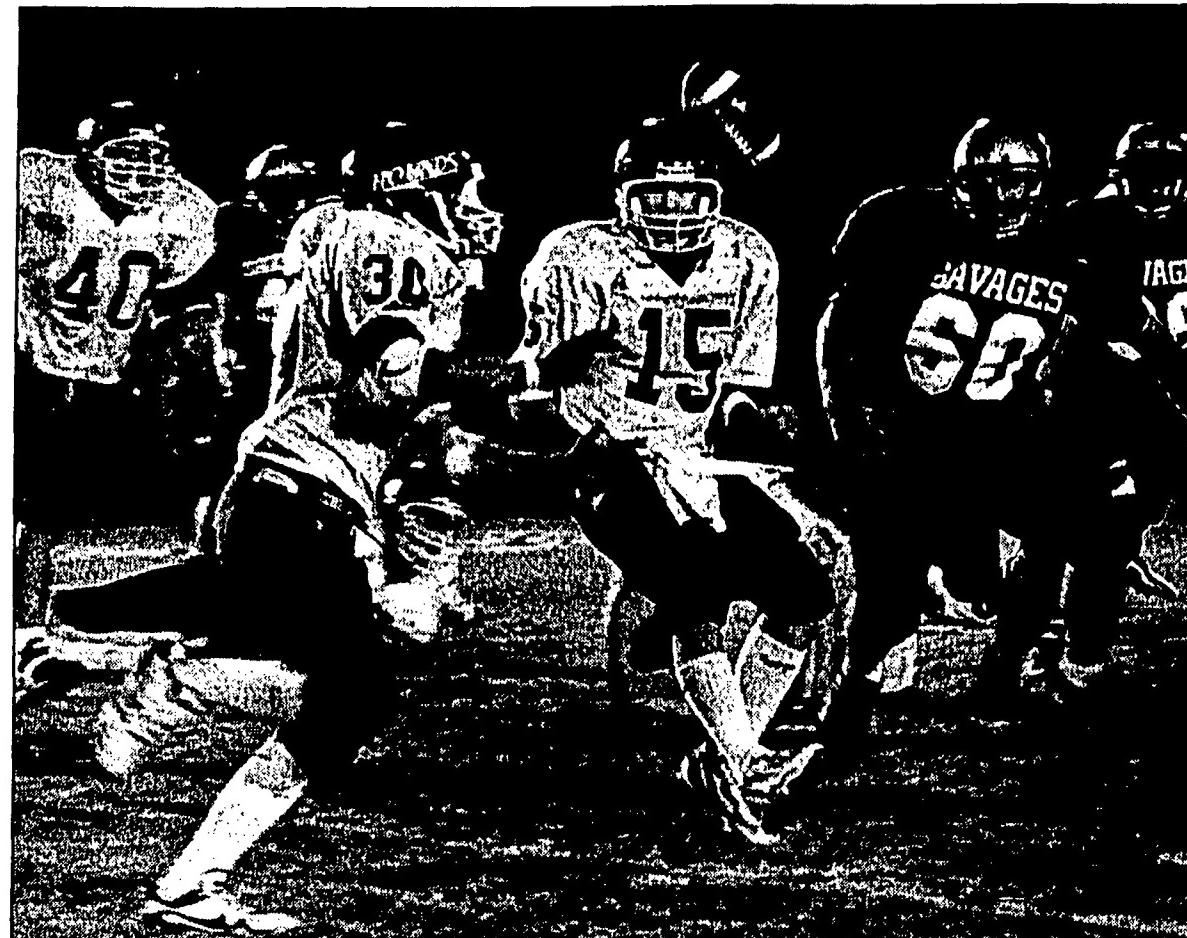
On Saturday, the dream continued with Bearcat football. Northwest welcomed its worst enemy and biggest rival Pitt State to town.

An e-mail circulated around campus telling students to get to the stadium early as Pitt State was bringing in some 2,000 fans. An hour before gametime, the stands were jam-packed with Northwest green on one side and Pitt State red on the other.

Charlie Pugh scored the winning touchdown and I think Mel Jeersma and the rest of the Bearcats' sideline was halfway on the field, trying to get a glimpse of the action. It was the perfect ending to a perfect weekend.

I think Maryville has got to be one of the luckiest little towns on Earth to have the great football teams it does. I truly think this is the year for both teams. Now, wouldn't that be the perfect ending to the football lover's dream?

Mark Hornickel is sports editor of *The Northwest Missourian*



Jennifer Meyer / Photography Director

Maryville fullback Mike Nanninga, No. 40, watches as quarterback Nick Glasnapp pitches the ball to running back Adam Otte, No. 30, catching the Savannah defenders off guard. The 'Hounds took the Savages by surprise Friday night, beating them 48-20. Otte scored one touchdown on the evening, while Glasnapp topped the 'Hounds' scoring list with three touchdowns.

Spikers advance in district

by Travis Dimmitt
Missourian Reporter

Maryville defeated Lafayette in the district semi-final volleyball match at Chillicothe Tuesday night. The Spoofhounds cruised past the Fighting Irish in two games, 15-7 and 15-8, bringing their overall match record to 22-7-3 on the season.

Gregg Winslow, Spoofhound head coach, said his team controlled the pace of the action throughout the entire match.

"It wasn't a real close game," Winslow said. "I think we pretty much had control of the game the whole time. We lost our focus during the second game a little bit, but I don't think there was ever a question of us not having the match under control."

The 'Hounds will face rival Platte County at 7 tonight in Chillicothe for the district championship. Maryville ended its regular season Oct. 22 with a loss to the Pirates in Maryville.

"They beat us last Thursday,"

Winslow said. "We did not play well. We had a lot of mental lapses which allowed them to kind of control the game a little bit. We had several opportunities to win the first game last week and ended up missing game-point serves two times. The second game we jumped out to a 4-0 lead on them, and then went back and had a lot of mental lapses, and they ended up beating us."

Not only did Platte County defeat Maryville in the two schools' only matchups this season, the Pirates also ousted the 'Hounds from postseason play in 1997 with a win in the district finals. Winslow said his team will have to concentrate on playing well to win the rematch.

"I am looking for good effort," Winslow said. "We need a good effort if we are going to play with them. I wouldn't think it would take much more than knowing they were playing in the district championship to get them all fired up and ready to play. But then, they have to be in the mindset that they want to go out and do everything they can do to enable their teammates to win."

Winslow said the 'Hounds' youth would not be a factor in the match, though the lack of postseason experience on his squad was a concern.

"By this time of year, I don't think that should make a lot of difference," Winslow said. "The only thing that I would see making a difference would be that, with the exception of two seniors, all these girls were JV players last year, and just maybe the moment might be a little bit more than they're used to, playing in the district championship. That might get to them a little bit. Whereas, even though Platte County is as young as we are, they have been in the championship game and won the district."

Winslow said the 'Hounds have the potential to dethrone the Pirates as district champions.

"We are capable of beating them," Winslow said. "It depends on how badly the girls want to do it, and what they're willing to do to make it happen."

'Hounds await Tarkio, Hornets

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

After claiming the Midland Empire Conference championship for the second year and beating Savannah, the Maryville football team will face Tarkio Academy on Friday.

The 'Hounds defeated Savannah 48-20 last Friday to take another MEC crown, but head coach Chuck Lliteras said the addition of three teams to the conference did not make it easier for Maryville.

"With the expanded conference, there was some good competition all the way through," Lliteras said. "We were pleased with the way the kids played."

While the 'Hounds are a perfect 7-0, they will be able to relax a bit against Tarkio, Lliteras said.

"I'm not belittling Tarkio at all," Lliteras said. "They've had some problems over there. They've lost a lot of players and they barely have just enough players to field an 11-man team. Hopefully we'll be able to get a lot of our kids in the game and give them some playing experience."

Tarkio was beaten last Friday 66-8 by Chillicothe. However, the

'Hounds aren't going to take Tarkio too lightly.

"We can't underestimate anybody," said Mike Nanninga, senior running back. "We're going to play them tough too."

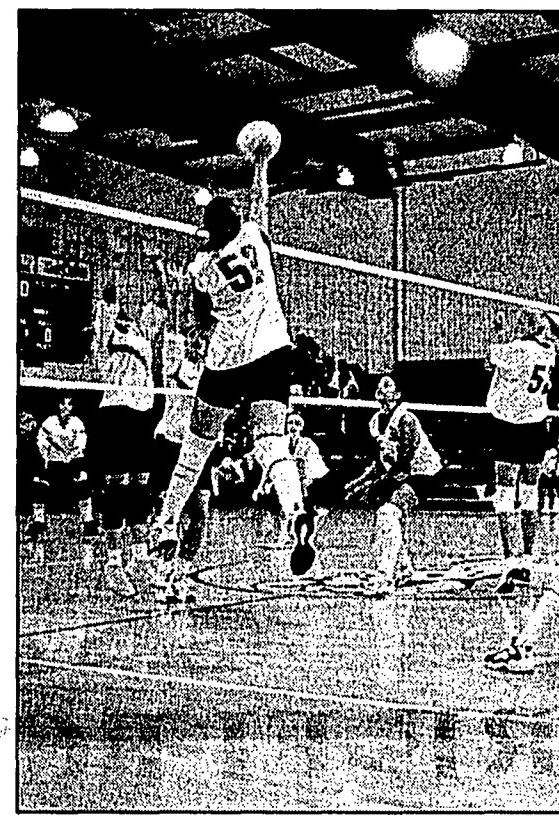
Because of the advantage the 'Hounds have over Tarkio, Lliteras said the team will spend a majority of this week looking ahead to next week's game against the Hornets.

"We're going to try and get 80 to 85 percent of our Chillicothe game plan in this week," Lliteras said. "There's no school on Friday, so we're going to spend our time on Thursday preparing for Tarkio and on Friday we're going to review. But we're going to spend most of this week working on Chillicothe."

While the 'Hounds are taking care of Tarkio, they will be awaiting the outcome of Savannah and Chillicothe. It will have an important affect on how the 'Hounds prepare for the rest of district play.

"By no means are we overlooking Tarkio Academy," Lliteras said. "This is just one situation, they know it, we know it, that we can begin to prepare for another opponent and them as well."

Maryville will face Tarkio at 7 p.m. Friday at home.



Maryville's Jennifer Easton, No. 50, sends the ball down over Fairfax defenders during a volleyball match earlier in the season. The Spoofhounds are 21-7-3 this season and will meet Platte County tonight.

File Photo



Harriers top meet, boys 1st, girls 2nd

The Maryville boys' cross country team came away with a first-place finish, while the girls' team earned a second-place finish at Bethany on Tuesday.

In addition each runner that competed in the meet for Maryville earned a medal.

The varsity girls' team was led by sophomore Jennifer Heller with a second-place finish in a time of 19:58 on the 3.1-mile course.

Junior Melissa Myers earned a fourth-place finish in a time of 20:56, while freshman Malorie Jones took a fifth-place finish in a time of 21:14.

Sophomore Kristina Swinford took a 10th-place finish in a time of 24:02, and senior Laura Loch took an 11th-place finish in a time of 27:12.

The girls' varsity team placed second with 32 points.

The varsity boys' team was led by senior Dustin Coulter's second-place finish in a time of 17:52.

The 'Hounds topped team competition, earning 23 points.

Freshman Ryan Douglas took a third-place finish in a time of 18:10, and freshman Tim Welch took a fifth-place finish in a time of 18:30.

Sophomore Adam Messner earned a sixth-place finish in a time of 18:34, while sophomore Robert Long took a seventh-place finish in a time of 18:55.

Sophomore Spencer Martin finished eighth in a time of 19:07, and sophomore Travis Turner earned an 11th-place finish in a time of 20:07. Sophomore Dusty Winslow finished in 14th in a time of 22:54. Junior Ryan Lager rounded out the 'Hounds' team with a 15th-place finish in a time of 23:31.

The 'Hounds topped team competition, earning 23 points.

1998-99 MIAA men's basketball preseason poll

School	Points
1. Washburn (8)	98
2. Missouri Western (1)	74
3. Central Missouri (1)	72
4. Pittsburg State	70
5. Northwest Missouri (1)	69
6. Truman State	51
7. Missouri Southern	49
8. Missouri-Rolla	49
9. Emporia State	28
10. Southwest Baptist	25
11. Nebraska-Lincoln	20

1998-99 MIAA women's basketball preseason poll

School	Points
1. Emporia State (6)	94
2. Missouri Western (5)	94
3. Pittsburg State	73
4. Southwest Baptist	68
5. Central Missouri	64
6. Truman State	58
7. Northwest Missouri	49
8. Washburn	47
9. Missouri-Rolla	28
10. Missouri Southern	18
11. Nebraska-Lincoln	12

first place votes in parentheses

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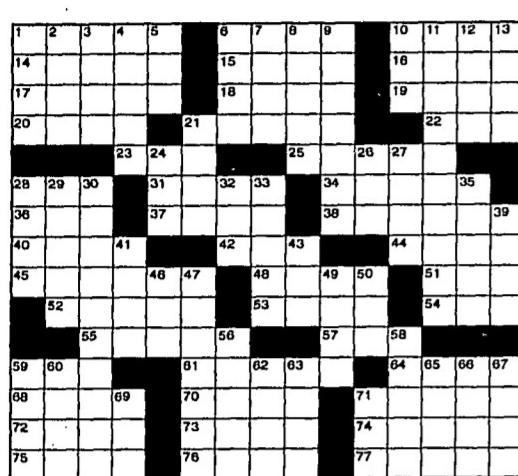
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ACROSS
 1. Actor Stacy
 6. Nebbish
 10. Bruins' campus:
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 14. Topic of dispute
 15. Garfield's pal
 16. "Pequod"
 protagonist
 17. Coin side
 18. Take five
 19. Whitecap
 20. Search
 21. More rational
 22. Stool pigeon
 23. Use a needle



25. Brazilian
 dance
 28. Rook's
 relative
 31. Fork or air
 follower
 34. Nap spot
 36. Geisha's wear
 37. Agent: suffix
 38. Highlander
 40. Exclusively
 42. Brooks of
 "The
 Producers"
 44. Castor's
 mother

45. Cut back
 48. Air
 51. Type of
 theater, for
 short
 52. Team race
 53. Certain Feds
 54. Compass
 reading
 55. Turn away
 57. And so on:
 abbr.
 59. Hr. portion
 61. Sculptor
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 64. Weaver's

frame
 68. Abstraction
 70. Tandoor, for one
 71. The "Velvet Fog"
 72. More than half
 73. Wrench
 74. Drive
 75. Famed lioness
 76. Ages
 77. Call up

DOWN
 1. Acquaintances
 2. Jacob's brother
 3. "... to
 covet honor"
 ("Henry V")
 4. Sects' kin
 5. "I'm Dickens,"
 _____ Fenster"
 6. "Heartburn"
 author Ephron
 7. "I Dream of
 Jeannie" actress
 8. Goes higher
 9. Take away
 (from)
 10. GMC union
 11. Personalities
 12. Liquid rock
 13. Become a
 partner in crime
 21. Actress Loretta
 24. Overhead
 railways

26. Extinct New
 Zealand bird
 27. Singer Ives
 28. Place to rap
 29. Pansy's Li'l
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 30. Wasteland
 32. Gender: abbr.
 33. Anti-trick
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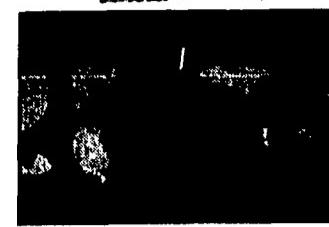
50. Hill dweller
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Answers to last issue's puzzle

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Movie review

Title: *Urban Legend*
Rated: R
Reviewer: Matt Armstrong
Grade: **A** (scale of 5)

**Movie stays consistent with typical '90s horror**

Have you ever heard the story of the ax murderer hiding in the back of a girl's car? What about the one where if you eat Pop-Rocks and soda, your stomach will burst? These incidents are called urban legends.

Set at the fictitious Pendleton University, "Urban Legend" falls into the typical '90s slasher genre. It dwells on its ability to present unanswered questions and keeps the audience guessing who did it.

Every bit of horror movie hoopla is present. There are the thunderous rain storms always accompanied by bolts of lightning and the loud crashing piano chords just as the killer is about to strike. The true '90s horror flick always cleverly keeps the audience on the edge of its seat.

"Urban Legend" is no exception to the rule. Everyone knows what's going to happen when the shady music chimes in, but the audience still jumps out of their seats when the ax wielding maniac leaps from the shadows.

The film depicts a diverse group of college students who coincidentally enroll in the same class; the curriculum being American folklore. Presiding over the class is Professor Wexler, played by Robert Englund, who was previously known as Freddy in "Nightmare on Elm Street."

The story fits the basic horror flick stereotype featuring Rebecca Gayheart, the extremely attractive airhead; Alicia Witt, the semi-good looking heroine with a complicated life; Joshua Jackson, the class clown; and Jared Leto, the hard nosed journalist looking for his controversial, award-winning story.

The plot is relatively simple. Supposedly, around 25 years ago a professor at the university went crazy and embarked on a murderous rampage. Now, on the 25th anniversary, the killings happen all over again, but this time they take the form of urban legends.

As compared to last year's, "I Know What You Did Last Summer," the killer wears a parka to conceal his identity as opposed to a rain slicker. No, it's not a rubber mask like in "Scream" or "Scream 2," it's an eskimo-like parka.

The film definitely takes advantage of the scare factor, but the carnage, as compared to some other recent horror movies, is lacking. Just when you think that ax is going to sink into the girl's throat, the camera drifts away from the closeup.

Another missed opportunity is the audience never getting a chance to feel sorry for the characters who are sliced and diced, because a connection is never made with them. Before the audience can relate to a character, the carcass falls out of a trunk or is hung from a tree in the following scene.

Red herrings are also thrown at the audience at a ridiculous rate. Everybody's a suspect. However, the list is eventually filed down, or in this case slaughtered.

But the film didn't miss with its sideline humor. It's chalked full of hidden jokes. It's easy to catch most of them, but audiences will probably have to see it again to catch them all.

For example, one scene has Jacksons and Witt's characters having a chat in her car. The radio is blaring Paula Cole's "I Don't Want to Wait," which is, of course, the theme song to "Dawson's Creek," also starring Jackson.

The real spark that ignited the film was the performance of Rebecca Gayheart.

Gayheart's portrayal of the gorgeous, ditzy, yet mysterious coed, definitely overshadows the entire cast. Without Gayheart, the film would have already taken its permanent shelf life at video stores.

The final scene cuts to future college students talking about the urban legend in which the plot of the movie is based; a psycho who kills by acting out the legends. Want to take a guess who's sitting with them? It's the presumed dead killer. What a clever setup for a sequel.

The bottom line is, "Urban Legend" is a typical '90s horror flick that keeps you guessing until everyone is dead.

The surprise twist at the end is amusing, but it doesn't make up for the unoriginal plot formula that most horror movies follow.

It's a great film for teen-age movie-goers who gawk at the elaborate death scenes and reel for the twisty-turvy story plot. But if you want a little more substance, try a different legend.

Personally, I liked it better when it was called "Scream."

Urban Legends**Traditional tales still entertains society today**

by Laurie Den Ouden
Features Editor

Who says screaming "Bloody Mary" three times while looking into a mirror won't reflect Bloody Mary herself?

was late, to return the books to the library. She invited her roommate to go along, but the roommate declined.

On her way to the library she came across a friend, and they decided to go have coffee. After awhile, she remembered a book that also needed to be returned that she had left in her room. She knew exactly where it was in the room, so when she went back she left the light off in hopes not to disturb her roommate while she was sleeping.

She got the book and left. When she returned, she saw police cars around her building and wondered what was going on. She forced her way through the police and saw her roommate's sheets stained with blood along with a message on the mirror signed in blood reading: "Aren't you glad you didn't turn on the light?"

A few Northwest students shared their hometown legends.

Michelle Falcon, therapeutic recreation major, said in Pella, Iowa, there is a cemetery with a circle drive around it. Supposedly, if you circle the drive three times in your car, stop at a specific location and shine your brights on two trees, the gates of hell are supposed to appear.

If a deer is seen, the person is supposed to be free from evil, but if the deer isn't seen, then the person is supposed to lock the car doors and leave.

She said she and her brother are not really superstitious; however, they have been to the cemetery many times and seen the deer.

"The only weird thing is that the deer is always there," Falcon said. "Maybe he's guarding something."

Art major Megan Harris shared her story about the hometown "steroid cat" in Slater. She said there is a huge black cat that has been run over three times and is still alive.

She joked that the town thinks



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the cat is so strong it is able to pick the cars up when they run over it, hence the name "steroid cat."

For all those Halloween storytellers, there are also several true, but gruesome, stories that could become urban legends with a little tender loving care and some classic embellishing.

Last October in Taiwan, a mass tug-of-war contest took place. According to the *Singapore Straits Times*, over 16,000 participants joined in the contest that exerted over 80,000 kilograms of force on a rope 5 centimeters wide that could only bear about 26,000 kilograms. The rope snapped within a few seconds and ripped the arms of two participants off.

Another addition to the Halloween believe-it-or-not story list includes two separate cases in which teenagers were accidentally hanged while participating in Halloween activities.

One boy was pretending to hang from the gallows at a pre-Halloween hayride event. The boy

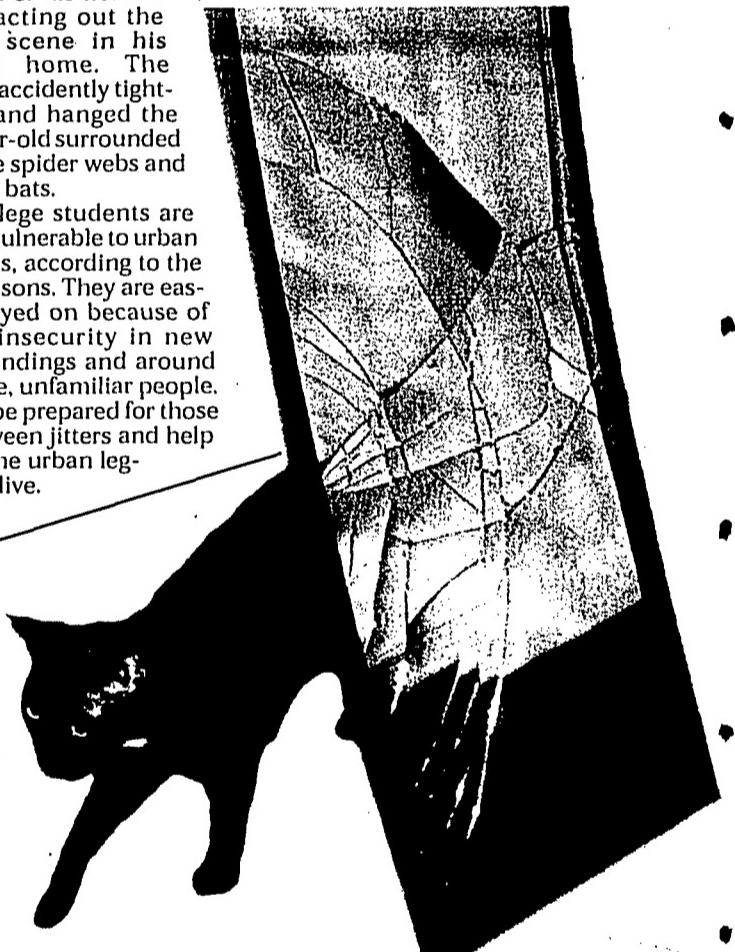
performed the stunt unharmed in the nights previous, however, his fatal performance will haunt those who were on the hayride.

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Another boy and several of his friends were acting out the same scene in his aunt's home. The noose accidentally tightened and hanged the 15-year-old surrounded by fake spider webs and plastic bats.

College students are often vulnerable to urban legends, according to the Mikkelsons. They are easily preyed on because of their insecurity in new surroundings and around strange, unfamiliar people.

So be prepared for those Halloween jitters and help keep the urban legends alive.

**Halloween brings out superstitions, spirits, witches****Incident at East Coast school fuels accusations of witchcraft**

by Laurie Den Ouden
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It seems "Bewitched" is no longer just a comedy from the late '60s and early '70s, rather fiction turned reality with a weird twist.

Just last week, a 15-year-old witch was suspended from Southwestern High School in Baltimore, Md., for allegedly casting a spell on one of her classmates.

Jamie Schoonover was accused of putting a witches' spell on Jennifer Rassen by crossing out her name on a school wall and writing, "Life is a virtue of death," near it, according to the Tabloid News Service in Maryland.

Rassen ran hysterically to Southwestern principal Earl Lee, informing him of the incident.

Lee told the *Baltimore Sun* he could hardly understand Rassen because she was so upset. He decided this was something that should be looked into.

According to Harper, her daughter would never place anything but good spells on someone, because she knows that it would come back on her three-fold.

"Unfortunately, there are too many superstitions that have been encouraged by Hollywood's description of witchcraft," Harper said.

There are several prime time sitcoms based on witchcraft plots these days.

For example, the '90s revamp of "Bewitched" called "Sabrina the Teenage Witch" along with a new show on the WB network called "Charmed."

Also, "Practical Magic" was recently released in which Sandra Bullock and Nicole Kidman portray two women who practice the religious belief system called Wicca.

When Lee questioned Rassen's affiliation with witchcraft she didn't deny it, baffling the principal, according to the *Sun*.

"It's just so new to us that a child openly admits she practices witchcraft," Lee said. "It's very bizarre to us. So, we wanted to get the parents involved, to see if they had any knowledge of it."

Not only did the mother know about the witchcraft, but she too practices the non-Christian based religion, or as the Associated Press defined it, "pre-Christian, back-to-nature religion witches follow."

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Who decided Friday the 13th was an unlucky day? Why should breaking a mirror bring seven years of bad luck?

Some superstitions have remained unchanged for hundreds and even thousands of years. But why do we still believe in them? Superstitions take us to our distant past and the darkest shadows in Europe during the Middle Ages, traveling into some of the oldest magic and memories.

Halloween is when ghosts roam and witches are known to hold their Sabbaths. It also marks the end of the Celtic year. It is said that the sun itself entered the gates of hell on this day, providing an opportunity for evil spirits to slip out and menace the earth for 48 hours. Today witches, riding broomsticks and wearing masks, are the fashion to chase away demons.

One superstition says if a person walks down a road and hears footsteps from someone walking closely behind, it is important not to turn around. The superstitious believe it could be death himself.

Another superstition suggests if a girl stands before a mirror while eating an apple and combing her hair at midnight on Halloween, her future husband's image will be reflected in the mirror over her left shoulder.

Breaking a mirror has been unlucky for centuries. One of the superstitions says seven years of bad luck

will follow. Mirrors have been very useful, not just for grooming purposes, but magicians used them in their magic operations. Over the years, many thoughts have evolved, such as keeping pieces of a broken mirror adds to the bad luck. Also, if a child or a cat breaks a mirror they will die within a year.

The black cat, an icon used especially during the Halloween period, is considered very unlucky to the superstitious. In the "Dictionary of Superstition," the black cat superstition states that if a person strokes a black cat and makes a wish then it may come true. Also, if a black cat crosses in front of a person's car from left to right they'll get a flat tire. Like in several other superstitions, splitting is supposed to counteract the bad luck brought by a black cat crossing a person's path.

Originally, the superstition of walking underneath a ladder bringing bad luck, came from a religious idea. Some Christians thought a triangle represented the holy trinity. So they believed passing through the triangle formed by a ladder leaning against a wall was irreverent.

Other superstitions said walking under the ladder could prevent a person from being married. However, if a person does walk under one, they must spit through it or spit three times after walking through it to prevent bad luck.

Ever had an itchy nose? Don't blame it on those allergies or sinus problems. The nose is a sensitive area on the face. According to the "Dictionary of Superstition," an itchy nose is a sign of trouble or distress. Or, a person will be kissed by a fool.

And, why is it that in many buildings, the 13th floor does not exist? It's also considered the unluckiest of all dates for a wedding.

But, on the other hand, to be born on the 13th of the month is considered lucky.

Some born on the 13th are expected to prosper in anything they begin later in life. In ancient times, the number 13 was ill-fated, primarily because of the violent deaths of 13th-century gods.

Weddings have many superstitions associated with them. It's considered unlucky to see a bride in her dress before the ceremony. And the saying, "Always the bridesmaid and never the bride," follows suit according to superstitions.

Superstitions have been defined as "other people's religious beliefs."

Superstition is a belief in cause and effect relationships which lead to systematic, repetitive behavior that is totally ineffective in accomplishing what it claims it can accomplish.

Superstitions can be attributed to the basis of organized religion.

A person can constantly "knock on wood" with hopes of having better luck, even though it is not always the case.

So, the next time you spy some wood and need a little luck, knock on wood, and just remember: If your nose itches, don't pucker those lips to anyone. They may be a fool.